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## Enclosure(s):

1. Response to Restriction Requirement (having a mailing date of March 21, 2005) - 2 pgs.

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# RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE

In response to the restriction requirement having a mailing date of March 21, 2005, the following remarks are submitted for your consideration, and Applicants respectfully request that they be entered.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

Application No. 10/606,616 In Response to Office Action having a mailing date of March 21, 2005

### 1. Restriction & Election of Species

The Examiner indicates that an election of the invention is required under 35 U.S.C. §121, from among the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-8, relating to a method of forming a glove having improved finger-tip puncture resistance, classified in class 264, subclass 2.1;
- Claims 9-14, relating to a polyvinyl chloride glove having specific structural characteristics, classified in class 2, subclass 161.6;
- III. Claims 15-20, relating to a method for determining finger-tip puncture resistance in a glove, classified in class 73, subclass 760 et seq.

The Examiner believes that more than one invention is present, and that the invention(s) claimed in Groups I-III, respectively, are not related to each other.

Applicant elects, with traverse, to prosecute the invention claimed in Group I. Applicant submits that no extra effort would be needed to search the inventions of Groups I and II together.

#### 2. Conclusion

Applicant believes that the present Response is timely, but should Applicant be in error, Applicant respectfully requests the Office grant such time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) as necessary to make this response timely, and hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge with respect to time extension to the Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875, Please direct any questions or comments to Vincent T. Kung at: tel. 770-587-8606.

Respectfully submitted.

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